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INFO AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

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TAGS: AR, SHUM, ICRC

SUBJECT: ICRC ACTION PRISON UPRISING

1. ON MARCH 17, 1978 APPROXIMATELY 61 PRISONERS WERE REPORTED KILLED AND ADDITIONAL NUMBERS WOUNDED IN AN UPRISING AT VILLA DEVOTO PRISON ON OUTSKIRTS BUENOS AIRES.
2. REQUEST MISSION CONTACT ICRC (SUGGEST SERGE NESSI), WHICH INSPECTED PRISONS IN ARGENTINA IN 1977, TO ASK WHAT THEY KNOW ABOUT THIS INCIDENT, AND WHETHER THEY MADE A FORMAL REQUEST TO CONDUCT AUTOPSIES OF THOSE KILLED. IT IS REPORTED BY THE ARGENTINE INFORMATION SERVICE CENTER, A NON-GOVERNMENTAL GROUP HERE, THAT THE GOA REFUSED SUCH REQUEST FROM ICRC ON THE GROUNDS THAT THE PRISONERS WERE NOT POLITICAL PRISONERS. VANCE

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